SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, if any portion (word, sentence, paragraph, proviso or section) of this act shall be held invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect, and such invalid portion shall be considered severed and deleted from this Act.

SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1975.

Approved May 15. 1975.

CHAPTER 735

(House Bill 941)

AN ACT concerning

Health - Abortion Referrals

FOR the purpose of prohibiting abortion referral services from accepting, soliciting, splitting, or dividing fees received by physicians, hospitals, health-related facilities, and dispensaries for performing or inducing abortion; and providing penalties.

BY adding to

Article 43 — Health Section 129B Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 129B he and it is hereby added to Article 43 — Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

129B.

(A) IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR CCPPORATION OR ANY AGENT OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY OF THEM, WHICH IS PERMITTED TO ENGAGE IN